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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

TOWN CLERK.

Paid Town Clerk for services,	$24 70	
" " express and postage,	3 10	$27 80

COLLECTOR.

Paid Collector for services,	$40 00	$40 00

TREASURER.

Paid Treasurer for services,	$10 00	
" " postage and stationery,	5 16	$15 16

ASSESSORS.

Paid Assessors for services,	$66 00	
" " express and postage,	70	$66 70

SELECTMEN.

Paid Selectmen for services,	$55 00	
" " postage and express,	5 02	$60 02

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Paid School Committee for services,	$128 00	$128 00

SUPPORT OF PAUPERS.

Paid Overseers of the Poor,	$802 59	$802 59

BREAKING ROADS.

Paid E. S. Parker,	$4 80	
Peter White,	14 98	
Z. L. Winslow,	8 44	
George W. Stone,	12 24	
C. S. Clifford,	18 51	
Wm. O. Keep,	18 42	
H. D. Bullard,	4 23	
L. N. Haskell,	9 70	
Wm. A. Nye,	12 55	
Wm. S. Spear,	82	
B. P. Clark	4 58	
S. H. Bullard,	7 40	$116 67

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid C. S. Clifford, for 1884–1885,	$134 25	
H. D. Bullard,	50 78	
E. H. Dwelly,	54 15	
Wm. O. Keep,	51 66	
George W. Stone,	54 80	
Wm. A. Nye,	139 00	
E. S. Parker,	63 00	
S. C. Cochran,	48 85	
Cheney Bothwell,	66 05	
Michael Gaffney,	64 27	
Peter White,	48 00	
D. R. Dean,	59 70	
N. Brooks,	7 00	
C. H. Parker,	8 30	
S. H. Bullard,	56 98	
H. P. Austin,	59 48	$966 26

SCHOOL EXPENSES.

Paid for East District,	$111 00	
West "	118 90	
Coldbrook District,	160 75	
Centre "	769 35	
South "	191 00	
school books and stationery,	78 19	
H. W. Lincoln for transporting scholars,	100 00	$1,529 19

STATE AID.

Paid E. Mullet, guardian of Charlotte Mullet,	$48 00	
Eliza Caldwell,	48 00	
Harriet V. Parmenter,	48 00	$144 00

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Wm. M. Thompson, for ringing bell,	$35 00	
E. L. Sawyer, M. D., for certificates of births and deaths,	18 00	
for furnace and fixtures for Memorial building,	182 26	
Edward J. Sargeant for Memorial day	7 16	
Maynard, Gough & Co. for printing,	44 00	
H. J. Lawrence " "	1 85	
James Tomlinson for grading common,	17 63	
one-fourth expenses of painting meeting-house,	41 42	
county tax,	288 00	
state tax,	315 00	
for repairs on school houses,	11 21	
" " " Memorial building,	2 00	
" interest,	1,140 28	
note to Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	3,500 00	
" " Stephen A. Boyden,	200 00	
for repairs on pump,	1 50	
James Packard, services as sexton,	34 75	
George Tyler, repairs for scraper,	20 00	$5,860 06

SETTLEMENT WITH THE TREASURER.

L. P. Lovell, Treasurer. Dr.

To balance in Treasury, March 1, 1885,	$2,346 01
cash for grass on common,	4 25
" " keeping state paupers,	3 00
" " use of hall,	3 00
" of North Brookfield Savings Bank,	638 22
" " Worcester County Institution for Savings,	1,147 33
" " Mechanics' Savings Bank,	772 26
" " First National Bank of Worcester,	610 10
" " Stephen A. Boyden,	200 00
" from corporation tax,	9 53

To cash from National Bank tax,	11 89	
" " state aid reimbursed,	208 00	
" " dog fund,	104 70	
" " school fund,	307 35	
state tax,	315 00	
county tax,	288 00	
town grant,	5,195 00	
overlayings,	74 23	
interest on taxes,	33 82	$12,271 69

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By paying Selectmen's orders,	$9,756 45
Balance in treasury,	$2,515 24

INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN.

To the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	$14,000 00	$14,000 00

SINKING FUND.

On deposit at People's Savings Bank, Worcester,	1,000 00	
Dividends thereon,	193 32	$1,193 32

Respectfully submitted,

MOSES O. AYRES,
CLARENCE H. PARKER,
DAVID R. DEAN,
} Selectmen of Oakham.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor

OF THE TOWN OF OAKHAM, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 1ST, 1886.

The past year four persons have received full and six partial support.

They further report that they have received of the town,	$792 59
In hands of Overseers, April 1, 1885,	2 40
Received of Mrs. R. H. Robinson, Oct. 1, 1885, cash,	1 75
Received of guardian of Benjamin Nurse, January 1, 1886,	58 58
Amount of receipts,	$855 32
Paid as follows:	
Received of the town for support of the poor, April 4, 1885,	$262 00
Money on hand,	2 40
	$264 40
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for Eunice M. Walker,	41 79
Dr. E. L. Sawyer for medical attendance,	42 65
Alanson Prouty for groceries and supplies,	17 56
Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,	39 00
Susan M. Thresher for Charles Burt,	58 00
" " " Lyman P. Crawford,	33 50
" " " Lydia Chamberlain,	19 50
" " " Lucy Robinson,	6 90
Samuel C. Cochran, 1 cord wood for Mrs. Woodis,	4 00
William Mandall, fitting 1 cord wood for stove,	1 50
	$264 40
Received of the town for support of the poor, July 1st, 1885,	$199 68
Paid as follows:	
Paid State Lunatic Hospital for custody and treatment of Eunice M. Walker,	42 25

Paid Susan M. Thresher for care and board of Charles Burt,	$22 00
" " " " " " " of L. P. Crawford,	30 25
" " " " " " " Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00
Zebina Winslow for care and board of Rasselas Winslow,	32 50
Dr. E. L. Sawyer for medical attendance,	7 40
Alanson Prouty for merchandise, &c.,	13 78
James Packard for coffin and robe for Charles Burt,	10 00
expense for L. P. Crawford,	4 50
Lewis N. Haskell, 2 cords wood for Mrs. Woodis,	6 50
Wm. Mandall, fitting 2 cords wood for stove,	3 00
Page Austin for 2 bushels potatoes for Mrs. Woodis,	1 00
Horace Wilbur for mending shoes,	50
	$199 68
Received of the town for the support of the poor, Oct. 1st, 1885,	$148 12
Received of Mrs. Ruth H. Robinson,	1 75
	$149 87

Paid as follows:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital for treatment and custody of Eunice M, Walker,	$43 71
Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,	32 50
Susan M. Thresher for Lyman P. Crawford.	35 75
" " " Lydia Chamberlain,	26 00
" " " sewing, &c.,	2 80
Alanson Prouty for groceries and clothing,	6 61
Ruth H. Robinson for 5 tramps,	2 50
	$149 87
Received of the town for support of the poor, Jan. 1st, 1886,	$182 79
Received of guardian of Benjamin Nurse,	58 58
	$241 37

Paid as follows:

Paid State Lunatic Hospital for board, custody and treatment of Eunice M. Walker,	42 81

Paid same for board, custody and treatment of Benjamin Nurse,		$34 36
for clothing for Benjamin Nurse: 2 pair overalls, $1; 2 jumpers, $1,		2 00
for boots, $2.75; 2 shirts, $1,		3 75
for 3 pair wool socks, 90c.; collar, 20c.; bow, 25c,		1 35
for 2 undershirts, $1; 2 pairs drawers, $1,		2 00
for suspenders, 25; mittens, 35,		60
for rubber boots, $2.50; suit, $11.50,		14 00
cap, 50c.; postage, 2c.,		52
		$101 39
Paid Zebina Winslow for Rasselas Winslow,		39 00
Susan M. Thresher for Lyman P. Crawford,		35 75
" " " Lydia Chamberlain,		26 00
City of Boston for Daniel Rogers and family,		14 10
Alanson Prouty for merchandise,		5 13
Overseers for services,		20 00
		$241 37
Amount of receipts,	$855 32	
Paid,	855 32	

As is shown in printed report, and to whom paid.

Respectfully submitted,

PAGE AUSTIN, }
JAMES C. SARGEANT, } Overseers of the Poor.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS IN OAKHAM. 1885.

BIRTHS.

Feb.	19	Son to	Gardner M. Dean.
"	23	Daughter to	N. Wendell Packard.
March	10	Son to	Sanford H. Bullard.
April	8	Sons to (twins)	Peter Dusette.
"	27	Daughter to	Hiram F. Clark.
June	12	Daughter to	Wm. C. Crawford.
"	14	Son to	Nelson H. Muzzy.
"	23	Daughter to	George W. Reed.
"	24	Daughter to	James Sheern.
"	27	Son to	Evander L. Parker.
Aug.	30	Daughter to	Edward H. Dwelly.
Sept.	1	Daughter to	Marcus M. Butterfield.
"	25	Son to	Peter Pluff.
Oct.	29	Son to	Stephen M. Sergeant.
Nov.	11	Daughter to	Charles S. A. Woodbury.
Dec.	15	Son to	Wm. Wallace Grimes.
"	22	Son to	Louis Latoun.

TOTAL, 18.

MARRIAGES.

Feb.	26	Charles F. Howard	to	Olive M. Butler.
May	19	Sabin A. Morse	"	Lizzie J. Bullard.
July	15	Alvin H. Brown	"	Ida F. Boyden.
"	21	Harry Clark	"	Ada M. Clark.
Sept.	2	John W. Baldwin	"	Ruth A. Prouty.
"	16	S. James Foster	"	Mrs. Sarah M. Rawson.
"	18	Edgar O. Crawford	"	Rosa W. Parker.
"	30	Daniel J. Nahaney	"	Bridget Igo.
Oct.	28	John P. Day	"	Mary E. Ravens.
Nov.	18	Frank R. Weld	"	Edith May Parker.

TOTAL, 10.

DEATHS.

			YEARS.	MONTHS.	DAYS.
Jan.	11	Mary Davitt,	27	10	13
"	12	Mary Jane Forbush,	50	5	16
"	"	Davidson Barr,	73		4
"	21	Thomas Dwelly,	62		
"	26	Olive Ripley,	64		
Feb.	1	Joseph Blake,	64	8	16
"	5	Louisa Williams,	66	9	14
"	15	Almira M. Green,	50	11	5
"	22	Lorenzo D. Barnes,	67		5
March	2	Elijah Dean,	83	6	8
April	9	Charles Burt,	75	5	17
"	28	Herbert B. Reed,	27		
June	4	Caroline M. Boyden,	70	7	10
"	8	Samuel Field,	80		21
"	"	Nancy B. Fobes,	68	11	
"	13	David Lovell,	76	2	19
July	31	Melinda Woodis,	90	4	28
Aug.	12	Fabian Tomlinson,	92	7	24
"	17	Emmerson A. Dean,		5	29
Sept.	18	John Robinson,	65	9	14
Nov.	24	Ralph E. Stone,	1	3	28
Dec.	25	Roxana Adams,	80	7	1

TOTAL, 22.

JESSE ALLEN, Town Clerk.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee of Oakham present the following report for the year ending March 1st, 1886:

DR.

To amount appropriated by the town,	$950 00
Received from state school fund,	307 35
dog tax fund,	104 70
	$1,362 05

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EAST HILL SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss Elsie L. Sargeant, teaching 9 weeks,	$45 00
Miss Florence I. Sargeant, teaching fall term, 10 weeks,	55 00
Miss Orzina Lovell, teaching 11 weeks, winter term,	66 00
fuel and care of house,	11 50
	$177 50

SOUTH SCHOOL.

By amount paid Lillian E. Robinson, teaching spring and fall terms, 19 weeks,	$100 00
Eugene A. Lincoln, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	77 00
fuel and care of house,	13 25
	$190 25

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss M. A. Griffon, teaching spring, fall and winter terms, 30 weeks,	$227 50
fuel and care of house,	16 25
	$243 75

WEST SCHOOL.

By amount paid Miss J. Etta Bullard, teaching spring and fall terms, 19 weeks,	$100 00
Mr. Thomas Street, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	88 00
fuel and care of house,	20 50
	$208 50

CENTRE SCHOOL.

By amount paid Mrs. Minnie L. Woodis, teaching spring, fall and winter terms, 30 weeks,	$225 00
Miss Alice W. Ayres, teaching spring term, 9 weeks,	81 00
Edgar H. Parkman, teaching fall term, 10 weeks,	90 00
Walter M. Morgan, teaching winter term, 11 weeks,	99 00
fuel and care of house,	63 10
	$558 10
Total expense of schools for the year,	$1,378 10

There have been three terms in all the schools in town of 9, 10 and 11 weeks, respectively.

The attendance in the several schools has been as follows:

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,		7	Average	attendance,		5
Fall	"	"	"	"	4	"	"		4
Winter	"	"	"	"	7	"	"		6

SOUTH SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,		18	Average	attendance,		16
Fall	"	"	"	"	23	"	"		20
Winter	"	"	"	"	19	"	"		16

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,		30	Average	attendance,		27
Fall	"	"	"	"	36	"	"		34
Winter	"	"	"	"	35	"	"		31

WEST SCHOOL.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,		16	Average	attendance,		10
Fall	"	"	"	"	15	"	"		10
Winter	"	"	"	"	18	"	"		8

CENTRE—No. 1.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,		29	Average	attendance,		25
Fall	"	"	"	"	23	"	"		18
Winter	"	"	"	"	28	"	"		26

CENTRE—No. 2.

Spring term,	whole	number	scholars,		31	Average	attendance,		29
Fall	"	"	"	"	30	"	"		28
Winter	"	"	"	"	27	"	"		24

The attendance in all the schools has been as follows:

Spring term,	whole	number,			131	Average	attendance,		110
Fall	"	"	"		131	"	"		112
Winter	"	"	"		134	"	"		112

ROLL OF HONOR.

Names of scholars neither absent nor tardy:

COLDBROOK SCHOOL.

Three Terms—M. Adelle Parker. Two Terms—M. Josie Butterfield, C. Edgar Brooks, Gilbert T. Butterfield, Alonzo M. Butterfield. Robert T. Brooks. One Term—Fannie E. Kimball, Mary L. Butterfield, Sophronia Kimball, Harry B. Parker, Virgil Parker, Henry W. Butterfield, H. Morton Brooks, Denny Needham.

CENTRE SCHOOL.

Three Terms—George A. Briggs, Carrie L. Winter. Two Terms—Frank R. Russell, Fayette D. Russell, Edith L. Loring. One Term—Lillian E. Robinson, Eldora E. Sergeant, Ella L. Sheern, John F. Sheern, Lilla B. Spooner, Minnie G. Spear, Minnie G. Dean, Lizzie M. Briggs, Arthur K. Reed, Blanche E. Packard.

SOUTH SCHOOL.

One Term—Minnie Kennon, Emma Martin, Albena Martin, Georgianna Martin, Gertie Parker, Walter Woodis, Lizzie Parker.

EAST HILL SCHOOL.

One Term—Nellie Snay, Dolorese Snay, Rosa Snay, Freddie Snay.

WEST SCHOOL.

One Term—L. Mabel Austin, Maggie Curry, Lester Knight, Justin Rawson.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE W. LINCOLN,
JESSE ALLEN,
ELIHU L. SAWYER,
} School Committee.